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Remarks

By this response, independent claims 1, 33 and 43 and 44 have been amended. Claims 50 through 59 were withdrawn by an earlier election.

The amended independent claims recite that different notorious indicia are produced in each of the security coatings, and that the coatings are layered onto a single layer of substrate. These amendments were made in response to a telephone interview held between the undersigned and Examiner Ferguson on August 14, 2006. The undersigned notes with appreciation the Examiner's willingness to discuss the claims in light of the final rejection mailed on April 19, 2006.

As discussed during the telephone interview, there is nothing in US Patent 5,250,492 (the '492 patent) to teach or suggest that a single layer of substrate is used in conjunction with two security coatings that each produce separate indicia of tampering in a security document. For example, FIG. 6 of the '492 patent shows two separate substrates 20 and 40 with coating layers 50 and 52 sandwiched between them.

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully submit that all of the independent claims 1, 33 and 43 are in condition for allowance. The remaining claims, being dependent upon their

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respective independent claims, present additional features that further distinguish over the cited art. As such, the Applicants submit that all of the dependent claims are also allowable.

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